

REMARKS

The Specification has been amended to correct clerical errors. Claims 1-14 are pending in this application.

The amendments to the specification are made to correct typographical errors occurring therein, as follows.

The amendment to the paragraph beginning on page 16, line 13, replaces the term “R⁴” with “R³”. Support for this amendment can be found in formula (6) shown on page 5, line 14 of the specification.

The amendment to the paragraph beginning on page 16, line 34, simply inserts a comma “,” after the word “cyanoacetate.”

The amendment to the paragraph beginning on page 22, line 31, corrects a clerical error. Support for this amendment can be found on page 22, line 30, (e.g., “(C) Decarboxylation Step”).

The amendment to the paragraph beginning on page 25, line 14, replaces the term “tetraethylene hexamine” with “pentaethylene hexamine,” since the compound has the formula: H₂N(CH₂CH₂)NH(CH₂CH₂)NH(CH₂CH₂)NH(CH₂CH₂)NH(CH₂CH₂)NH₂, wherein five (not four) ethylene groups are present between six amino or imino groups.

The amendment to the paragraph beginning on page 35, line 18 simply corrects a clerical error by inserts “g” after “3.15.” This can easily be expected from the amount of the starting materials and the isolation yield mentioned after the term.

No new matter has been added by way of the present amendments to the specification.

Conclusion

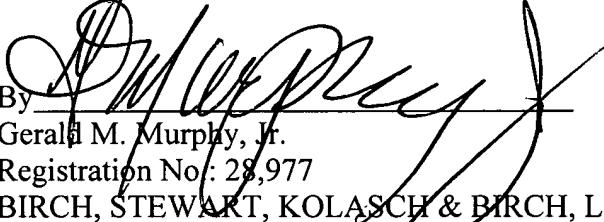
Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Gerald M. Murphy, Jr. (Reg. No. 28,977) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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